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AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP: Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action dated April 13, 2006, kindly enter the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification and Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.